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Agency Information Collection (Regulation for Reconsideration of Denied Claims) Activity under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), this notice announces that the Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden and includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATE: Comments must be submitted on or before [Insert date 30 days after date of publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through <a href="www.Regulations.gov">www.Regulations.gov</a> or to VA's OMB Desk Officer, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-7316. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0600" in any correspondence.

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20420, (202) 632-7492 or e-mail crystal.rennie@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No.

2900-0600."

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

Title: Regulation for Reconsideration of Denied Claims.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0600.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Veterans who disagree with the initial decision denying their healthcare

benefits in whole or in part may obtain reconsideration by submitting a request in writing

within one year of the date of the initial decision. The request must state why the

decision is in error and include any new and relevant information not previously

considered. This process reduces both formal appeals and allows decision making to

be more responsive to Veterans using the VA healthcare system.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a

collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The

Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this

collection of information was published on April 11, 2013, at page 21711.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 50,826 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 30 minutes.

<u>Frequency of Response:</u> On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 101,652.

DATED: July 17, 2013

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By direction of the Secretary:
Crystal Rennie, VA Clearance Officer,
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

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